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## **POST OREGON STATE CONVENTION EDITION**

Worthy Brother Knights and Families,

Our annual State Convention for this Fraternal Year is now in the past. I wish to thank those members from across the state who were able to join us. I know I met some new Brothers and I hope others did as well. As the saying goes "There were no strangers there—only some Brothers who may not have yet met one another." Oregon has yet to reach our assigned goal but credit can be given for "strengthening the foundation" and performing activities that are leaving a Knight of Columbus Footprint. As the Fraternal Year enters the final lap, I wish to note some activities that are or will strengthen our "basic foundation," leave a Knights Footprint and grow the Order in Oregon.

### **The Holy Spirit is here to help us grow the Order and evangelize the visions of Fr. McGivney.**

The Order has shown positive moves toward more spirituality by adopting a Dedicated Spirituality Fund to assist Councils with future spiritual-related activities.

The State had its first Knights Weekend Retreat led by our State Chaplain. In addition there were at least two separate full day retreats across the state.

Fr. Theo produced five 6-7 minute short spiritual messages for use by Councils at their monthly meetings and all other State or District meetings/events. A thumb drive was made and presented to Council State Convention Delegates or to District Deputies for Councils not present (special thanks to Michael Woody for doing this for each Council).

We need to move forward with **responsible growth**. **Responsible & Sustainable growth!!**

Partnering and/co-Sponsoring Activities with other groups of the Parish or the community is an opportunity for **high public exposure** and indirectly will expand the Knights Footprint.

The Activity to acquire a container of **wheel chairs** for use throughout the state is occurring, but we need to expand our perspective outside our own Council or parish borders and try to reach out to others in the community who could use a chair. (My special thanks to Kent Purdy who has been pursuing this activity).

Districts joining together for their District meetings and training will expand our brotherhood fraternity.

Are your activities known? Are they in the Parish Bulletin? We need to get a higher grade on our Report Card with the subjects of publicity and reporting!! IT'S "OK" to pat yourselves on the back!!

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**BROTHERS**, your Council Reports help create the Knights of Columbus Footprint.

The Footprint is the impression of WHO we are and WHAT we are.

If you leave a Footprint, the numbers will come.

**“The only numbers that really count are souls saved.”**

My Brothers, every little bit helps establish a Knights of Columbus Footprint, strengthens our “foundation” and will help the Order to grow in Oregon. The need is just as great now as it was when the Fr. McGivney initiated the Order. As we go forward, I can only repeat what we heard the Supreme Knight mention a few times. **“Be Knights of Charity.”** The Order was founded on Charity. **“Be Knights of Charity.”** Reach out with charity and we can all bring more laborers to work in the Father’s vineyard.

Vivat Jesus

*Always: “In His Love”*

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## State Deputy – Elect’s Vision



Ron Boyce  
State Secretary  
and  
State Deputy  
Elect

I want to thank all of you for all your hard work and dedication to the Catholic faith and making your Community, Family and the Knights of Columbus in Oregon better. The Knights of Columbus in Oregon changes lives and saves lives because of you and your Councils. The State would never achieve each individual goal, and the Parishes in the Portland and Baker Dioceses would be lacking help and resources without your Councils, so kudos to all of you.

At the 111<sup>th</sup> State Convention in Lebanon I shared my vision to all the delegates for the Knights of Columbus in the State of Oregon for the upcoming year.

For us to have that voice in the State of Oregon I’m asking for your help to increase new membership in the state by 550, achieve \$1 million in charitable contributions and 1 million Knight Hours.

To make this to happen we need to create 25 Star Councils, 35 Round Tables and add two new Councils.

I am hoping to add two more ultrasound machines in the State of Oregon with one located in North or Northeast Portland area and I am looking at District 1, 2, 3, and 20 to help their Councils step up to the challenge.

I would like each Council to sponsor a minimum of one Seminarian for the Portland and Baker Dioceses by increasing our Pennies for Heaven and/or RSVP contributions. Our support does not mean just money alone, but we also need to pray for them and invite these men to our Council functions.

I would like to see Councils participate in Districtwide Polar Plunge Teams throughout the State of Oregon to increase our visibility and presence to help raise money for the Special Olympic athletes. It will be great to present a challenge to see which District will have the most participants.

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I would like all Councils to participate in one of the following Youth programs: Coats for Kids, Soccer Challenge or the Free-throw Contest.

Also, most Councils already participate in the Food for Families and I encourage other Councils to do the same.

All the Councils are doing great things, however we need more visibility and exposure on what we do and how we are helping others. So I have asked Alex Paul (Sweet Home Council) to take over as the Public Relations Chairman. All the Grand Knights, District Deputies, State Directors and Chairmen need to call, text or email Alex on what programs your Council is doing so he can have it published to your local paper and Catholic Sentinel.

It's going to be a momentous year my dear Brothers and I am looking forward in seeing your Council's successes and watching our Order reach the 10,000-member mark.

Vivat Jesus,

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In case you may think that your State Deputy is not busy, here he is on Friday night, May 2nd, at Mardi Gras with Ming and Marianne Lau (State Deputy) at the Yukon State Convention





Supreme Chaplain  
Archbishop William E.  
Lori

### **May Challenge by Supreme Chaplain**

Jesus said, “My children, I will be with you only a little while longer.

I give you a new commandment: love one another.

As I have loved you, so you also should love one another” (Gospel for May 19, Jn. 13:34).

“I give you a new commandment: love one another,” we hear in the Gospel reading. We’ve heard this saying of Jesus before, but do we personalize it this and truly know it to be true? Statistically, we as Catholics in America today are not renowned for loving one another to the point that we risk sharing our faith with others. One recent poll found that only 6% of Catholics characterized sharing their faith as a “high priority.” But Jesus invites us to do more. He does not call the equipped; he equips the called. And each one of us is called to love one another in the most profound way—by caring about others’ eternal well-being.

#### **Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:**

This month I challenge you to invite one person out for coffee, to your home, or an event at your parish. Tell them what you enjoy about the Catholic faith. Secondly, if they have been away from the Catholic Church, invite them back. If they are not Catholic, ask them if they would consider joining. Either way, be welcoming and nonjudgmental when they give their response.

### **State Advocate In Rome**

While on a pilgrimage, Michael said they “took a picture of the Pope as he passed in front of our pilgrimage group on Wednesday. We were in Rome with our fellow pilgrims led by Fr. Zani Pacanza from St. James parish in McMinnville.”

Vivat Jesus,

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***It is better to light one candle than to curse the darkness***



Group picture of Oregon pilgrims led by Fr. Zani Pacanza from St. James Parish in McMinnville.



# Knights of Columbus

Oregon State Council  
111th Annual Convention  
Lebanon, Oregon  
April 26-28, 2019

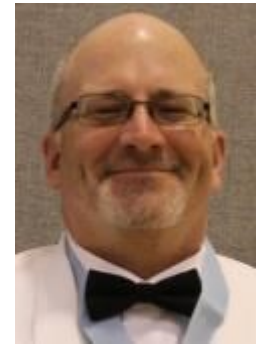
## Your State Officers Elected For Fraternal Year 2019-2020



State Secretary  
Michael Rooke



State Deputy  
Ron Boyce



State Treasurer  
Michael Rooke



State Advocate  
Thomas Radel



State Warden  
Kenneth Anderson III



State Chaplain  
Fr. Theodore Lange



Immediate Past  
State Deputy  
Francis Mohr



***Faith, Life and Community Awards***

Faith



Division 1  
Council 1613  
McMinnville

Faith



Division 2  
Council 7246  
Newport

Faith



Division 3  
Council 3509  
Mollala

Life



Division 1  
Council 1577  
Albany

Life



Division 2  
Council 3484  
Canby

Life



Division 3  
Council 16482  
St. Elizabeth Ann

Community

Division 1



Council 2325  
Oregon City

Community

Division 2



Council 9257  
Christ the King

Community

Division 3



Council 3509  
Mollala

**Family, Life and Columbian Newsletter Awards**

Family



Division 1  
Council 5842  
Gervais

Family



Division 2  
Council 8129  
Dallas

Family



Division 3  
Council 15773  
Florence

Life Award



Council 3818  
Lake Oswego

Life Award



Council 1748  
Salem

Columbian Newsletter Award



Council 2439  
Sublimity

Co-District Deputy of the Year



Dave Judy  
DD 18

Co-District Deputy of the Year



Joe Schaecher  
DD 09

**Awards Presented at Saturday Evening Convention Banquet**

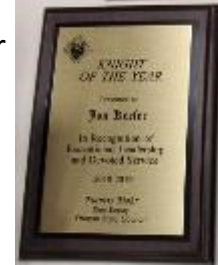
Co-Knight of the Year



Jesse Villarreal  
Council 3484 Canby

Co-Knight of the Year

Jon Keefer  
Council  
1577  
Albany



Edgar "Bud" Steinbacher Award

Michael  
Woody  
Council  
1577  
Albany



Lady of the Year Award

Tricia  
Killinger  
Council  
9137  
Sherwood



Faith Award



Council 1767  
Mt. Angel

Community Award



Council 12656  
St. Pius X Cedar Hills

Family Award



Council 2325  
Oregon City



**More Awards At Saturday Evening's Convention Banquet**

Community of the Year



Council 12656  
St. Pius X Cedar Mills Portland

Family of the Year  
Joseph Krebs Family



Council 1577  
Albany





**Friday Events**



**Friday Evening Festivities**





The 4th Degree honor guard was present at Mass all 3 days. The largest turnout was the Sunday morning Mass. A few enthusiastic Honor Guard members are enjoying the traditional regalia while they can before the July 1 deadline.



District Deputy #1 Ken Anderson featured in the picture next to the icon was elected State Warden for Oregon. He's very excited to take on this role and serve the State of Oregon.

Saturday Activities



Saturday Evening Banquet



## The Ladies Had A Great Time In Brownsville



**Mothers Day Gifts For Unwed Mothers**



**Ladies' Sunday Auction**



**Silent Auction**





## Culture of Life

Patrick and Teresita Parson  
Life Couple - Oregon Knights of Columbus

What does it take to be a defender of life? In addition to wanting to protect life, a defender must also be willing to accept being accosted for his beliefs. You may have seen a video where a Pennsylvania state representative bullied a woman who was standing a prayer vigil outside an abortion center in Philadelphia. That lone representative vilified the woman, calling her names while she walked up and down the sidewalk praying her rosary. Elsewhere, at least two physical assaults were made on pro-life supporters this spring in California and Kentucky. Most participants in *40 Days for Life* (including Teresita and myself) have undergone obscene shouts and gestures from passerby holders of differing viewpoints.

So why continue to expose ourselves to public abuse? The answer is as simple as reading a Bible verse, more specifically, Proverbs 24:11-12 / *"Did you fail to rescue those who were being dragged off to death, those tottering, those near death, because you said, 'We didn't know about it'? Surely, the Searcher of hearts knows and will repay all according to their deeds."* Another illuminating passage of Scripture is from James 4:17 / *"So for one who knows the right thing to do and does not do it, it is a sin."* We know the right thing for ourselves is to take an unpopular stand in defense of life.

**Oregon House Bill 2217** (which expands ways in which lethal medication can be taken) has been scheduled for a public hearing and work session on May 9 at 8:30 am in the Senate Judiciary Committee, Hearing Room C. Another euthanasia bill (**Senate Bill 579**) is still active and may be scheduled for a vote of the full Senate soon. Tell your senator to vote **"NO"** on both bills.

Finally, congratulations to all Councils who were recognized for their efforts in the Life field. St. Elizabeth Anne Seton Council 16482 received the Division 3 award, St. Patrick Council 3484 of Canby received the Division 2 award, and Albany Council 1577 received the Division 1 award. Supreme Life Award was co-awarded to St. Joseph Council 1748 of Salem and Our Lady of the Lake Council 3818 of Lake Oswego for working together to obtain 2 ultrasound units for Hope Pregnancy Clinic in Salem. Thank you for all your efforts!

## Cultura de la Vida

Patrick y Teresita Parson  
Pareja de la Vida, de los Caballeros de Colon de Oregon

¿Qué nos quita ser defensores de la vida? En adición también proteger a la vida, un defensor también debe de ser abordado por sus creencias. Tal vez ya vieron un video reciente en el que un representante de la casa de Pensilvania se burlaba de una mujer que estaba en vigilia de oración afuera de una institución abortiva de Filadelfia. El Representante vilipendiaban a la mujer diciéndole palabrotas, mientras ella iba caminando por la calle arriba y abajo, y orando su rosario. De cualquier manera, 2 asaltos al menos se llevaron a cabo esta primavera en California y Kentucky. Muchos de los participantes Pro-vida (incluyendo a Teresita y yo) tuvimos que soportar gesturas obscenas, groserías, por los que tienen otro punto de vista.

Entonces, ¿Por qué exponernos a algún abuso público? Y la respuesta es simple en la lectura Bíblica de: Proverbios 24:11-12 / *"Libra a los sentenciados a la muerte, salva a los que son arrastrados al suplicio". Tu dirás después ¡No lo sabíamos!, pero el que pesa los corazones ve claro, el que te observa lo sabrá; y recompensará a cada uno según sus obras.* Otro pasaje muy iluminado es la escritura de Santiago 4:17 *"Quien sabe que es lo correcto, y no lo hace, comete un pecado."* Sabemos que lo correcto para nosotros es hacer cosas no populares, en Defensa de la vida".

**La Cuenta de la casa de Oregon 2217** (que expande caminos en la que los medicamentos letales se suministran) se calendarizaron para ser escuchados públicamente en sesión de trabajo el 9 de Mayo a las 8.30 a.m. en el Comité del Senado Judicial, en el salón para escuchar C. Otra cuenta de Eutanasia (**Cuenta del Senado 579**) sigue activa y tal vez se calendarice para voto por el senado completo muy pronto. Dile a tu Senador que votas **"NO"** en ambas cuentas.

Finalmente felicitaciones al consejo que fue reconocido por sus esfuerzos en los terrenos de la Vida, St. Elizabeth Anne Seton Council 16482 recibiendo el 3er premio. El consejo de St Patrick 3484 de Canby recibió premio en 2º lugar, y el Consejo de Albany 1577 recibió el 1er premio. El premio supremo de la vida fue compartido en St Joseph Council 1748 de Salem, y Nuestra Señora del Lago de el Consejo 3818 de Lake Oswego por trabajo juntos para obtener 2 ultrasonidos para el Centro de embarazo Hope en Salem. ¡Muchas gracias por todos sus esfuerzos!



### *Patriotism, Our Flag and Our Church*

As Knights of Columbus, we aspire to live by four core **principles**: Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. The principle associated with the Fourth Degree is Patriotism. During my recent Fourth Degree Exemplification, I was most stirred, and inspired, by the emotions displayed by each of the candidates as the ceremony proceeded. In subsequent discussions with several Knights, the question of the patriotism of clergy and church hierarchy was questioned. An example is perhaps the lack of, or the way in which the U.S. Flag is displayed.

Per the Knights of Columbus official website, the statement on patriotism reads: "Members of the Knights of Columbus, be they American, Canadian, Mexican, Cuban, Filipinos, Poles, or Dominicans, are patriotic citizens. We are proud of our devotion to God and country and believe in standing up for both. Whether in public or private, the Knights remind the world that Catholics support their nations and are amongst the greatest citizens."

In traveling to Catholic churches around our country, one can see the American and Papal Flags sometimes displayed in the nave, sometimes in the vestibule, sometimes less noticeable in a corner, and sometimes not displayed at all. Per the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops website there is minimal guidance offered as to flag placement. "Surprisingly to many, there are no regulations of any kind governing the display of flags in Roman Catholic Churches. Neither the Code of Canon law, nor the liturgical books of the rite comment on the practice. As a result, the question of whether and how to display the American Flag in a Catholic Church is left up to the judgement of the diocesan bishop, who in turn often delegates this to the discretion of the pastor.

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops has in the past encouraged pastors not to place the flag within the sanctuary itself, in order to reserve that space for the altar, the ambo, the presidential chair and the tabernacle. Instead the suggestion has been made that the American flag be placed outside the sanctuary, or in the vestibule of the church together with a book of prayer requests. It remains, however, for the diocesan bishop to determine regulations in this matter."

Title 4, United States Code, Chapter 1 states, "When displayed from a staff in a church or public auditorium, the flag of the United States of America should hold the position of superior prominence, in advance of the audience, and in the position of honor at the clergyman's or speaker's right as he faces the audience. Any other flag so displayed should be placed on the left of the clergyman or speaker or to the right of the audience." Placing the Flag in the vestibule or in a corner is not placing the Flag in a position of superior prominence.

As a note, placing our Flag in a position of prominence in our church also pays tribute to clergy who have served or are currently serving our country and all other Catholics who have served as well. How many of us know the heroics of Lt. John Washington (one of the 4 chaplains on the USS Dorchester) or Medal of Honor winners Fr. Vincent Capodanno, Fr. Emil Kapaun, Fr. Joseph O'Callahan and Fr. Charles Water or Fr. Francis Sampson, who received the Distinguished Service Cross and became part of the inspiration for the film, Saving Private Ryan. Many Catholics have proudly served our God and country, with some paying the ultimate sacrifice.

Why isn't the American Flag more honorably displayed in many of our churches? In my own church, I was told displaying the flag in the nave may be considered a distraction or that it would violate the 1st Amendment Separation of Church and State. Neither comment is valid. Having the flag prominently displayed reminds us of our Catholic civic duties to God, church and country.

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The 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment was written to keep our government from controlling churches. When entering a church with an American flag prominently displayed, it helps reinforce my belief that we are American Catholics and have a responsibility to God and country. Though I recognize the flag, I am there to worship our God and find no distraction. Though often cited, the words designating the “separation of church and state” are not included in the 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment to the Constitution. The Amendment states that Congress “shall make no law respecting the establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof”. This dealt with prohibiting the establishment of ONE church by law, or that any of the citizen’s religions were going to be proscribed.

Knights of Columbus begin our meetings with a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. In school, our children say the Pledge of Allegiance, which includes the phrase “One nation, under God”. Our coinage includes the phrase “In God We Trust”. Our presidents are sworn into office using the bible. Religious Chaplains are members of the US military and provide religious services and sacraments. When on ship, I often led religious services if a chaplain was not present. Again, I would propose that it is important that the U.S. Flag be present as a reminder to Catholic parishioners that we all have a responsibility to God and country. Atheists and agnostics continue to chip away at the influence of religion in our civil society. They desire to remove any reference to God on our coinage and in the Pledge of Allegiance. They have fought to remove any reference to prayer in public school and have removed religious symbols from “holiday” (was Christmas or Easter) celebrations. Abortion and divorce are the law of the land, as is assisted suicide in in several states. Out of wedlock births are common. We now must teach “secular” ethics in professional schools. As participation in churches is declining, parishioners need to be ever more attentive to their respective civic duties to both God and country.

We need to respect our flag, embrace patriotism, continually strive to love our God and church, and ensure our country follows the principles upon which it was founded. The presence of our flag in our church reminds us of that very special God-country connection. We pray and work to end abortion, strengthen and support families, preserve the sanctity of marriage, honor prayer in public and teach our children patriotism. If we “cocoon” ourselves, and do not strive to insert our values in society we will lose the values we are trying to instill in our children. We ARE Roman Catholics AND citizens of the United States of America. Many parishioners could probably identify the Knights’ works of Charity, Unity and Fraternity, but how many are able to identify Patriotism as one of our core principles? It is up to us as Knights to actively embrace this principle and enlighten our bishops and pastors as well.

The flag is one of the most visible signs of a country and many Catholics have proudly served under our flag and for our country. Let us display it with pride!

Vivat Jesus

Sincerely,

Sir Knight David L. Bredemann  
Member 4291718  
Assembly No. 2251, Milwaukee, OR



**Next 2nd and 3rd Degree**  
**May 18th 2nd 3rd degree in Cottage Grove**

**Pennies For Heaven Thank You**

**Submitted by:** Patrick Rausch, Chairman of Pennies for Heaven



On behalf of our students, faculty and staff, I want to thank you and the Oregon State Knights of Columbus for your most generous gift of \$20,000 from the Pennies for Heaven collection. As in the past, the money will be deposited in the special Knights of Columbus account that we manage specifically to use in support of seminarians and their needs.

Please continue to keep us in your prayers and be assured of our prayers and remembrance at Mass for you and Vicky and all our Brother Knights and their families as well as for the good work that you do in the Lord's vineyard.

Sincerely in Christ,

/s/Rev. Msgr. Joseph Betschart  
President-Rector, Mount Angel Seminary

Faith In Action Placemats can be ordered through Supreme at a cost of a package PK/500 for \$25.00. Really a must for your supper events and pancake breakfasts.  
**The form is 1915E.**

**Knights In Action**

Florence Council 15773 held their first vigil at Planned Parenthood in Eugene on April 13th with participation from our Chaplain, Fr John along with several Knights, our wives and assorted friends.

It included the Rosary and the Chaplet for the Unborn.

Although the reception from passers-by was mixed, it was extremely spiritually rewarding and very uplifting.

God Bless the Unborn,

Pat Beckham  
Council 15773  
Financial Secretary





Jesse Villarreal  
District Master

## **Hispanic Outreach Coordinator**

2019 State Convention

“Come Holy Spirit”

Always good to see all those friendly faces to match with the familiar voices I hear throughout the year. Time goes by so fast that another year goes by and it's time to train another set of State leaders with their new positions. My total evaluation for this Knights of Columbus Convention of fraternal year 2018/2019 is very good. Lots of accomplishments were realized and a giant step forward was made by all. A little gray cloud showing some “politics” in the air which is the result of election times but other than that, it was a great meeting.

First, I would like to thank all the Grand Knights who opened their Council doors to our Hispanic brothers. The recruitment of Hispanics is alive and active. Hearing this type of news is always music to my ears. The number of interested Hispanic brothers wanting information of the Knights of Columbus is growing rapidly and more requests for help are coming in from different directions of the state. Get those Round Table Program active and put them into practice!

The weekend of May 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, there were two Admission Degrees, one in Salem at St. Joseph's and one at St. Vincent. St. Joseph already has their own Spanish Council, San Jose and now St. Vincent is receiving almost 20 new candidates with their first Spanish First Degree. Thanks to Council 1577 in Albany for providing the First Degree Team.

While at the Convention, I had requests from Eugene, Prineville, and Grants Pass for informational sessions. This is the type of momentum I was hoping to see and hear about and that is why I now repeat part of the presentation I did at the Convention for those who might not have been there. However, I would like to share some precautions on the way this is applied:

1. Create or implement the Round Table Program if you have the potential to recruit Hispanics at your parish. The new booklet from Supreme “**Why join the Knights**” is available in Spanish and is very useful.
2. If you have Hispanic Brothers in your council, don't establish a direct path from the entrance Council door to the exit door by charging them the “initiation fee and annual dues” before they even sign the Form 100. Educate and also explain to them why annual dues are mandatory during the Round Table meetings. Don't scare them away before they even come in. Bad news travels fast.
3. Make extra efforts to invite them to your regular meetings by reminding them in multiple ways, in person, by phone or e-mail if necessary.
4. Establish a separate Round Table meeting day where non-members can attend and share information about current events. This really helps those who feel somewhat uncomfortable with the language issue and it will enhance their own recruitment efforts to bring in their friends.
5. Slowly introduce them to different projects or programs your Council might be working with and try to get them involved. Our Hispanic Brothers are hungry to participate in activities with the parish they attend. But they want to feel the need to be involved. (A great example is what Christ the King Parish in Milwaukie is doing with the new Hispanic members of their Council who volunteer their talents with a project outside the parish. Being of service to others is what the Knights of Columbus do.)
6. Do not rush our Hispanic Brothers into a position as a Council Officer before they learn or we teach them the duties and responsibilities. (Let us all learn to do one thing at a time and do it well.)

I would like to add one other observation: it seems we sometimes concentrate too much on the “Rules and Regulations” and not focus on what Father McGivney's Mission was and is today, “to be of service to others”.

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## *Patriotism, the Fourth Degree*



Being the District Master of the Fourth Degree for Oregon is the other half of my responsibility with the Knights of Columbus. Here again, I can say things are starting to settle down from the turmoil of the uniform issue. The month of June is upon us and it's time for many multiple Honor Guard requests for Confirmation, First Communions and Ordinations.

Sir Knight please make your best efforts to attend and participate with as many of these events as you possibly can and use your Regalia. **June 30<sup>th</sup> is the official cut-off date to use the older style regalia.** Remember, it's not what we wear but what we do and represent.

For the remainder of my term as District Master of Oregon, I will continue to emphasis and promote the reaching out beyond the church walls with our duties as Patriots. Our **Patriotism is for God and Country.**

I will continue to encourage those Sir Knights and Assemblies that have reached out and visited facilities housing our elderly service Veterans. In all cases, very happy times were reported by those who were visited as well as those who made the effort to explored the occasion to reach out.

Some of our Assembly members are doing civic duties from their parishes but are just not reporting it. Don't keep what you do a secret any longer. The Chamber of Commerce agencies I've contacted said they are willing and anxious to work together with the local Knights of Columbus Councils and Assemblies. Have you tried to contact the American Legion for a joint Flag Ceremony in your community? The Rotary Club for a civic venture together to help a family in need?

Have you tried to replace one of your regular monthly meetings with a Blue Mass and a little bit of refreshment, at your parish (with Pastor's permission, of course) and bring the local Fire and Police personnel to your parish? Those first responders would be very grateful and you can report that as one event for your Assembly in your Faith in Action report.

Remember that "Great Things Have Been Done for Love of Country. But the Greatest of Things Have Been Done for Love of Country and God."

These are the next three scheduled Exemplification taking place in your area:

Albany, June 8<sup>th</sup>

Bend, June 15<sup>th</sup>

Medford on July 20<sup>th</sup>

For more information and details, please don't hesitate to call me at 503-266-4043, cell 503-267-4043 or email me at: [jcv1936@canby.com](mailto:jcv1936@canby.com).

VIVAT JESUS

Jesse C. Villarreal  
District Master

## **Reflections of Mother Agnes**

Sisters of Life, Villa Maria Guadalupe  
June 9, 2018

Characteristics of those called to be Ambassadors the Lord of Life:

One, we who are called as Ambassadors of the Culture of Life and Civilization of Love, as messengers of His Mercy must be ... **humble.**

Two, we who are called as Ambassadors of the Culture of Life and Civilization of Love, as messengers of His Mercy must ... **radiate the love of God.**

Three, we who are called as Ambassadors of the Culture of Life and Civilization of Love, as messengers of His Mercy must ... **stand in solidarity with the sinner.**

Four, we who are called as Ambassadors of the Culture of Life and Civilization of Love, as messengers of His Mercy must be ... **a people who can tell of the mercies of God.**

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Six, we who are called as Ambassadors of the Culture of Life and Civilization of Love, as messengers of His Mercy must be ... **a people with a spirit of repentance.**

Seven, we who are called as Ambassadors of the Culture of Life and Civilization of Love, as messengers of His Mercy must be ... **a people know for our rejoicing.**

And Eighth, or lastly, but primarily, we who are called as Ambassadors of the Culture of Life and Civilization of Love, as messengers of His Mercy must be ... **a prayerful people** capable of uttering a profound “yes” to the intense and hidden work of grace in our souls.

We can participate most marvelously in God’s work of grace by becoming the actual means of grace and mercy for those persons He is waiting to bring home: those young and not-so-young men and women who feel far from the Church of their Baptism; those men and women caught in sins against the gift of human love; those pregnant and threatened by life; those men and women who in desperation have sought death as a solution to the difficulties in life. It is our job to bring them home—one heart at a time—to the Heart of Jesus who thirsts for them.

Allow me to conclude with a wonderful little story I heard from Father Benedict, in which he told of a Friar’s dream. “In the dream, the Friar was walking through a very dark wood. The weather was threatening and he was all alone and filled with foreboding feeling and an ominous sense. And as he walked through this forest, he carried a lighted candle, and knew somehow, the he must not let the light of the candle go out. This was rather difficult given the circumstances, for it was difficult to protect the flame against the wind and the rain and furthermore, the wax was dripping and burning his hands. He heard, as he walked on, a commanding voice say to him, ‘Blow out your candle!’ Yet, he knew he would not and could not, for he recognized that the candlelight was symbolic of his baptismal grace. The Friar kept walking deeper into the forest until he came to a clearing where the rain stopped and the winds subsided, and a calm returned to the forest. And then, standing in the light of the clearing, holding his candle, he began to see people emerge from behind the trees and approach him. They looked weary and disheveled, lacking in hope. Each came with a candle in his hand which had been blown out. One by one, each person approached the Friar and re-lit his candle, and together as a body enveloped by a glow of radiant light, they moved forward confidently.

You carry the grace to know the truth about God, and the truth of the dignity of the human person, the truth about God’s plan for love and marriage. Never, never, never let that truth be extinguished in your heart by discouragement, by doubt, by despair, or by what may appear to be lack of success, for the world desperately needs your light.

God bless you and thank you.....

Shared by Tay Mohr  
111<sup>th</sup> Oregon State Convention  
“Come Holy Spirit”  
April 28, 2019



**Supreme's  
Families of the Month for  
March 2018**



***3484 Steven Heli Family Council 3484  
Dennis Tiernan Family Council 8129***

Oregon Councils participating in March were:1785,  
Council 1785 Corvallis, Council 3484\* Canby and Council 8129\* Dallas

These families received one of the 100 Holy Family gifts that are given out by the Supreme office in a random drawing each month. Any Council who uses the Family of the Month (Form 1993), available online at [KofC.ORG](http://KofC.ORG) under Council Forms and sub-category Program forms, is automatically placed in the random drawing each month at Supreme.

**Council In Action**

Submitted by: Kent Purdy, Community Director

40 Cans for Lent was embraced by Council 1767 at Mt. Angel. It is often said that it takes a ton of work to stack up a ton of can goods.



**Members Selected For Supreme Convention**

The following Insurance or Associate members were voted on and selected to go to the Supreme Convention to be held in Minneapolis, Minnesota on August 6th through 8th.

Insurance

- Ray Prom
- Ricardo Hernandez
- Mike Dec
- Ipo Ross
- Robert Adams

Associate

- Christopher Roth
- Duane Kloser
- Larry Scheese

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. Amen.

**SICK AND DISTRESSED**

**PSD George Flake**

Council 7223 Madras

**SK Larry Mullaly**

Council 11258 Central Point & Assembly 0905

We request you also pray for all Knights, their families and friends and all of our Police, Firefighters, Servicemen and Servicewomen, as well as those who have lost so much in the recent storms, tornadoes and wildfires and those whose lives have been disrupted with other calamities of either man made or any natural events. This we ask through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen!

**IN MEMORIAM**

**Deacon SK Jim McVeigh**

Council 1594 Medford & Assembly 0905

**Charles Reece Anderson**

**Larry Park**

Council 1634 Hillsboro

**Ralph VanDyke**

Council 5074 Forest Grove

**SK Theodore P "Ted" Geck**

**Dale F Kloucek**

Council 2439 Sublimity

**Kenneth D. Truesdell**

Council 5003 Burns

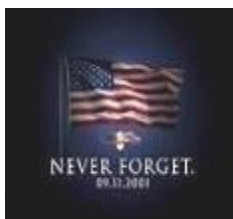
**Don Walker**

Council 7292 Mid Columbia

Let us keep in mind and prayers all those Brother Knights and/or members of Knights' families who have gone before us.



Please direct your prayer requests to:  
**State Health/Welfare/Prayer Chairman**  
**Andrew "Andy" Robinson Jr.**  
 Email: [robinsoa@peak.org](mailto:robinsoa@peak.org)  
 Phone: 503-543-2338



Please always remember our Veterans and those members of the Armed Services who risk their lives in the service of our communities, states and throughout the world, as Firefighters, Police, Ambulance, Chaplains, Nurses, Doctors, Care Givers and those who minister to the needs of others— please take time out to say: "Thank You So Very Much" for all that they do for all of us!





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One resolution passed - Pledging unswerving devotion to Government and services to President Woodrow Wilson.

Newly elected state officers pictured left to right:

Front row:

Hugh McLain,  
State Warden;  
William Barrett,  
Past State Deputy;  
Frank Lonergan,  
State Deputy

Back Row:

L. O. McCoy,  
State Treasurer;  
J. W. Kelly,  
State Advocate;  
A. A. Mickel,  
State Secretary

Tom Radel

State Warden, PGD,  
Historian



(Editor note) Additionally, from the KofC website....



**MEMBERSHIP IN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Membership is open to men 18 years of age or older who are practical (that is, practicing) Catholics in union with the Holy See. This means that an applicant or member accepts the teaching authority of the Catholic Church on matters of faith and morals, aspires to live in accord with the precepts of the Catholic Church, and is in good standing in the Catholic Church

**Membership – Programs – Hand in Hand**

Membership and programs go hand in hand. Without membership, there can be no programs. Without programs, our membership will wither away. Together, they strengthen our faith and strengthen our councils

**COUNCIL ELECTIONS**

Elections are quickly approaching.

Section 128 of the Laws of the Order indicates that Officers are to be elected by ballot at a regular business meeting held between May 1 and June 15. (College Councils may hold elections between March 1 and June 1.)

Immediately after the election, the Financial Secretary should report the Officers-elect to the Supreme Council using the Member Management application located in Officers Online on the Knights of Columbus web site or by using the *Report of Officers Chosen for the Term* (#185), which is available at [kofc.org/forms](http://kofc.org/forms).

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